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DEMOCRATIC POLITICS FROM THE VIEWPOINT OF WASHINGTON MEN

Presidential Talk Will Be Plentiful Among the Politicians Who Will Assemble This Week.

TAGGART AN EARLY BIRD

He Is Already on the Ground with His Boom for the National Chairmanship.

PLANS OF HUGH HANNA

Indianapolis Man Wants His Monetary Commission Continued -Minor Capital Notes.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 .- Democratic convention and presidential talk will occupy the boards among the politicians here this week. The Democratic national committee will meet here on Tuesday to decide on the location and time for the convention, and it is expected some indication will be given by way of gossip among the leaders as to what the trend of Democratic opinion is at this time relative to the presidential campaign. The best impression prevailing at this time is that the convention will go to Chicago and will be held the first week in July. As to the presidential ticket, there is little to be found which approaches the dignity of an impression as to what the outcome will be.

There is strong pressure from the Eastern Democrats, notably those of New York, in favor of having the convention in New York Under Russian Dominance city. The basis for the claim of the New Yorkers is that the hopes of the Democratic party this year are centered in New York and a few of the adjoining States, and that it would be wise to do everything possible to influence the situation along those lines. The Democrats really have an opinion that if Mr. Roosevelt is nominated by the Republicans and some strong Eastern conservative Democrat heads the Democratic ticket the chances are more than even that New York will go Democratic this year. But there is a strong sentiment against holding the convention in New York. The conservatives protest that the influence of Tammany on the convention would be absolutely irresistible and that it would be destructive of all hopes the party has for the campaign. Votes will undoubtedly be cast in the commoney to defray expenses that will be very seductive to the Democratic committeemen. Milwaukee has some friends left over from the contest of four years ago, when Kansas City was selected, and it is asserted by Senator Stone, of Missouri, that half of the old ican-Chinese commercial treaty signed members of the committee have pledges out- Oct. S. That treaty has been ratified by standing to work for the Wisconsin city. But it is believed by the best-informed committeemen that if Chicago does not get the | medium of the United States, the important convention it will be because St. Louis is willing to put up the most money.

The "harmony banquet" of the Democratic faithful in New York was far from producing harmony among the Democratic leaders of the national capital. The Southern Democrats resented with vigor the turn which the meeting took under the leadership of Mr. Olney in reviving the Cleveland sentiment. But the more astute of the politicians here claim to see in the Olney speech merely a bid by the Massachusetts man for the right to be the residuary legatee of the Cleveland strength among the conservatives. The Gorman boom was making remarkable headway among the Democrats until the Maryland senator took his stand of opposition to the Panama canal policy of Roosevelt administration. That course did more harm to the Gorman boom than all the activity in favor of Hearst, Parker or Olney. It is remarkable how old-line Democrats from all sections stand by the administration on this question. As an oldfashioned Democrat from the West put it in

"If the Democratic party arrays itself against the Panama canal proposition in the campaign and the trust promoters keep up their fight against Roosevelt, the chances are that Mr. Roosevelt will get more Democratic votes in the campaign than any Dem-ocrat who can be named to head our ticket."

Thomas Taggart, of Indianapolis, Democratic national committeeman from Indiana, arrived here to-day, with the boom for the national chairmanship, to attend the meetcompanied by W. H. O'Brien, of Lawrenceburg, Democratic State chaiman; Joseph T. Fanning, of Indianapolis, vice chairman; ment of spheres of political influence in the ex-Congressman John E. Lamb, of Terre Haute, and Benjamin F. Shively, of South Bend. The party is at the Shoreham.

'Indianapolis should have the convention," said Mr. Taggart. "Next to the Indiana capital, Chicago is the most available location. It is impossible to say now what the committee will do in this matter. We must first consider the offers of the various cities in the race. The Chicago boomers are already on the ground, and they are out to win. I believe we should meet in advance of the Republicans and put them on the defensive.'

Among the national committemen there is much sentiment in favor of Indianapolis. "If the committee thought the Indiana metropolis had the facilities and made a suitable offer, I am of the opinion that the next convention would go to Indianapolis, said Senator Simons, of North Carolina. "This sentiment exists generally among the Southern men. We believe that we have more than a good chance to carry Indiana. and if the convention were held in that State !t would help matters along.

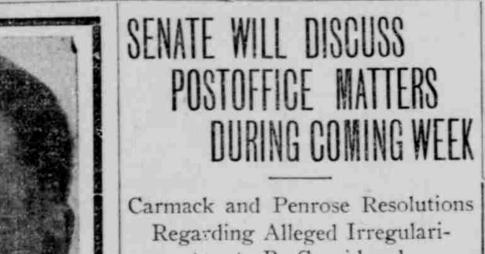
One of the first to call on Mr. Taggart at protection of American and English interthe Shoreham was Senator Arthur P. Gorman, of Maryland. Taggart is an ardent admirer of the Maryland senator, and, while he does not say so openly, there is no doubt that he favors Gorman as the presidential nominee. But he genial Tom is after the national chairmanship, so he says, and regards it as impolitic to make any announcement as to candidates at this time. To all callers to-night Mr. Taggart gave the assurance that the Indiana Democrats were In complete harmony and ready to march shoulder to shoulder against the common

+ + + Joseph T. Fanning, grand exalted ruler of the Elks, will appear before the Democratic national committee this week and urge that the convention be not held during the week of July 18. The Elks will meet in Cincinnati that week, and they do not desire to fatally cut and Robert Dadden, Benjamin run counter to the greater attraction.

Coincident with the arrival here of the Indiana Democrats is the renewal of the boom for M. E. Ingalls, of Ohio, president of the Big Four Railroad, as the Democratic presidential nominee. The Hoosiers refuse to express themselves when Ingalis's name on an incoming ferry boat from landing. is mentioned. The presence here of Mr. Shively has attracted some attention, he being regarded as one of the possibilities for Vice President, "Indiana has several good men who would fill this place acceptably, but no candidate," said Joseph T. Fanning.

The impression prevails that the Democrats will decide to hold the convention after the Republicans. This is in accordance with the traditions of the party, Representative Miers is one of the few Democrats who believe that the convention should be held prior to June 22-the date fixed for the Republican convention. The Indiana member believes that the Demo- and twenty families are still receiving aid

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THOMAS TAGGART.

Who Is Doing Some Active Political Work at

Washington.

interested Motives of the Im-

perial Government.

Manchuria—Will Not Sub-

mit to Any Dictation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 .- By an author-

view of the wide circulation given

ity conversant with Russia's position in

sia with hostility to American interests in

the far East, it seems expedient that the

"Russia has repeatedly expressed her in-

States government is guided merely by an

faith by refraining from any action which

would endanger the conclusion of the Amer-

the throne at Peking and thus, through the

ports of Mukden and Antung, in Man-

churia, are opened to the commerce of the

world. This is the 'open door' which has

been a part of American and Russian

policy since the Boxer outrages, which

necessitated the intervention of the powers

and which materially changed conditions

RUSSIA WILL NOT SUBMIT.

tation at the hands of any power as to

the protection of her legitimate interests

in Manchuria. Negotiations are in progress

between St. Petersburg and Peking in the

effort to reach an agreement adequately

protecting the special or predominant in-

fluence exercised by Russia in Manchuria

powers signatory to the peace protocol

verbally or in writing. At the time of the

signing of that convention it was Rus-

sia's hope that she could with safety with-

draw her forces from Manchuria last Oc-

tober and leave the protection of her in-

terests to China. In the meantime, how-

ever, it was clearly demonstrated that the

guarantees offered by China were wholly

Russian government to ask for additional

guarantees. Until these have been arranged for the Russian government cannot be ex-

pected to withdraw from Manchuria and

thus menace the many Russian lives and

forfeit the \$350,000,000 which have been spent

"Russia is ready and anxious to stimulate

the development of foreign commerce in

Manchuria. The growth of trade means the

success of the Siberian Railway. Russia be-

lieves, however, that this commercial de-

velopment is possible without the establish-

open ports. Russia's political influence in

this territory, which lies on her borders,

is and must be considered predominant and

its effectiveness would be impaired by the

creation of any form of foreign political

influence in the shape of extra-territorial

government of municipal control and regu-

lation of certain districts within these open

ports similar to conditions such as, for ex-

ample, exist at Shanghai. But no trouble is

anticipated on this score as the American-

Chinese cemmercial treaty providing for

the setting aside of certain districts in

Mukden and Antung as places of interna-

tional residence and trade and the provision

for their regulation is not considered as

tem like that surrounding foreign interests

"Russia does not propose to discuss the negotiations now in progress. If it should

be realized she is availing herself of every

reasonable means to reach an agreement by

"It will be an interesting bit of informa-

tiin to the Russian government to know

the primary object of the Tokio negotia-

tions so far as Japan is concerned in the

ests in the far East. Russia had sup-

MARINES GOT MIXED

posed that Japan was influenced by less

Two Americans Fatally Injured

and a Number of Others

Badly Hurt.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 10 .- As a result of a

fight between citizens and marines at the

Portsmouth ferry dock to-day Lawson

Cuddy and Joseph Flynn are in a hospital

Marks, Frank Benedict and Joe Donahue,

marines, are held by the police pending

More serious trouble was averted by a

large detachment of police charging the

ferry house and fighting their way through

the combatants to stop a squad of marines

The cause of the fight, which was partici-

pated in by fifty citizens and marines, is

One of the marines during the charge of

the police drew a razor and began slashing

Fever Is Slowly Abating.

BUTLER, Pa., Jan. 10 .- One death and

only one new case of fever to-day shows

considerable improvement in the general

situation. During the past week only six

teen the preceding week. There are prob-

new cases were reported as against nine-

the results of the wounded men's injuries.

IN ROW WITH CITIZENS

tending toward the establishment of a sys-

at Shanghai.

diplomacy.

selfish motives."

there in the civilization and development of

"Russia will certainly not submit to dic-

to-day was given this statement:

RUSSIAN ATTITUDE IN

Carmack and Penrose Resolutions "Carmack and Penrose Resolutions "Carmack and Isthmus in Regarding Alleged Irregulariters to Be Considered.

CONFIRM BUCHANAN WEDLOCK NOT POPULAR

Senator Lodge Will Move to Table | Marriage Relation Little Thought Mr. Morgan's Motion for Reconsideration of Vote.

PANAMA TREATY READY TRAITS OF THE INDIANS

on Wednesday-Minor Matters to Be Coneidered.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 .- At the begin- From the Journal's Special Commissioner. ning of to-morrow's session the Senate will | THE FAR EAST DEFINED Statement by Authority of the Dis-

ator Lodge, of the committee on foreign remotion to reconsider the vote by which Mr. will not make the motion until it is evident discussion is exhausted. The motion, when made, will be undebatable, and, if it prevails, will bring discussion to an end.

Other questions are expected to be taken up during the week, including a bill providing for a forest reserve in the southern Appalachian mountains, and the resolution on the good roads proposition. Mr. Latiremarks.. He will make an effort to secure

It is considered probable that there will ous resolutions pertaining to the Panama expects to report the Panama canal treaty Wednesday. The Republican leaders intend to urge the prompt possible consideration of the treaty, and after it is reported to the Senate will try to keep it before the Senate constantly to the exclusion of all

HOUSE WILL PASS AN APPROPRIATION BILL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 .- The House, during the present week, will pass the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation before the House, and that it can be disposed of within a couple of days. The indications now are that the urgent

deficiency bill, the next to follow, will be reported to the House the last of this week or the first of the following week. It is desired to get some of the appropriation bills over to the Senate as early as possible. There are a few minor measures about ripe for action, which will be taken up from time to time umess the appropriations committee shall be ready to report the urgent deficiency bill by Saturday, the House may be in session only five days this

DEED OF HEROISM IN

DOWIE AND HIS DEACONS A HEAVY GALE AT SEA

Second Officer of the New York The Restorer Attended a Hotel Thomas J. Wood, of Crown chase of Greenland. They came to nothing. Opening and Found Fault Jumped Overboard in Futile Effort to Rescue a Sailor. with the Lavishness.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.-The American Line steamer New York, which arrived to-day the French Line steamer La Savoie, ten minutes being the difference in time of arrival at the lightship. Both steamers en-

countered terrific gales and seas. The New York had a particularly severe gale from the north-northwest, with violent squalls and high head seas. On Wednesday, Jan. 6, the ship had slowed down in the gale to secure some gear when an enormous sea curled over the bow and swept overboard F. Comulisch, a seaman, A life buoy was sent after him, and almost into the sea after the seaman, who had in the meantime secured a hold on the buoy. Before the second officer could get to the unfortunate man Comulisch lost his grasp on the buoy and disappeared. The second

officer was then hauled on board.

The New York brought over \$1,045,000 in La Savoie also caught the gale of the 6th. tremendous height swept over the bow. dashed aft with tremendous force, smashed in the forward bulkhead of the smoking room under the bridge and flooded that compartment. The ship was slowed right and left. A rlot call for police brought | down immediately. The passengers became additional police, who were able to stop alarmed at the staggering effect of the shock. The forward bulkhead under the bridge was smashed in, causing a hole about twelve feet across; rails and stanchions were also bent and broken, but no one

Among the passengers of La Savoje was M. Santos-Dumont, the aeronaut. He says his forthcoming experiment with a dirigible balloon at the St. Louis exposition. Among the passengers who arrived on

PANAMAIANS MONGREL IN RACE AND DEPRAYED SES IN CONDITION

> aty the Ninety-and-Nine in Mode of Living.

of by Mixed Breeds of Colon and Panama City.

It Will Be Reported to the Senate No White Man Permitted on San Blas Coast at Night—The Civilized I Per Cent.

PANAMA, R. P., Dec. 23 .- "The other resume consideration of the Penrose and half' in Panama is in reality the ninety-Carmack resolutions for an investigation of and-nine, and in the general domestic conirregularities in the Postoffice Department. | ditions surrounding its living it is but a few There are still some Democratic senators | degrees removed from savagery. Of the who desire to be heard on this matter, and other one in this particular equation it may Senator Spooner has intimated his intention | be said that it lives under domestic and to make a more extended reply to Senator | social conditions commonly found in those Carmack's charge that Postmaster General | countries where the glory of Spain is a Payne has been at all lukewarm in the memory centuries old. Far up in the westprosecution of frauds in his department. ern portion of the new republic's domain The understanding is that this question will | there live some natives who claim to be the not be allowed to retain its place before the descendants of those whom the Spaniards Senate in its present shape for a great found when they discovered and conquered length of time, as Senator Gorman, the the country, and who seem to have re- painter and sculptor, died here to-day. He AMERICAN TRADE SAFE leader of the Democratic senators, has ex- tained the true native customs, speech and was born at Vesoul in 1829. physical type. In that same section, notso shut off from the world, living such rartically no influence, nor are they a matter

To the eastward of Nombre de Dios, death was due to cerebral congestion. stretching away for many miles toward the Darien gulf, are the haunts of the San Blas Indians, a race of stockily-built, bulletheaded, shocky-haired aborigines, dominated by peculiar ideas and marked by most peculiar traits. These Indians trade a little with white men, and occasionally small istence is to keep their blood untainted. To rule under which their women are never permitted communication with white men, and to save their blood from pollution white men are absolutely excluded from their coast at nightfall. The going down of the sun is a signal for every white man who happens to be on this coast to go aboard ship or stand offshore during the night in his cayuca, it being stated upon excellent authority that, so rigidly is the rule enforced, that no white man has ever slept a night on the land belonging to the San Blass Indians.

RAISE BOYS FOR SERVITUDE. own, acknowledges no sovereignty except serve their blood from admixture with that of whites, they realize and appreciate the benefits of Anglo-Saxon association. Their ever, most peculiar. From the days of their that some day or other a white man will come to take them away and make servants of them. The idea is drilled into these youngsters until they come to accept it as a matter of course, and it actually works out. The white man visiting the isthmus and wishing to procure the services of a boy into whom the idea of servitude has been thoroughly drilled has only to communicate with these Indians. The answer will be the appearance at the place appointed of such a San Blas youth, accompanied by his father or one of the minor chiefs of the tribe. With very little parleying the lad fed and educated in the English tongue.

will be handed over to the white man, the only covenart exacted by the Indian being a pledge that the boy shall be clothed and From that day forth the boy will be a servant to his protege, faithful, obedient, respectful and willing; but there comes a time when this relationship ends. Sometime or other the white man will note the disappeartake them away, they are taught, too, that when they reach the age of about eighteen years they are to slip away from the white man's home and return to their native coast. back to the isthmus as common sailors and rejoining the tribe. Their fate thereafter is (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8, COL. 5.)

ARE OFF FOR AUSTRALIA

DAMAGE TO LA SAVOIE. SAYS NEGRO IS INFERIOR STATES

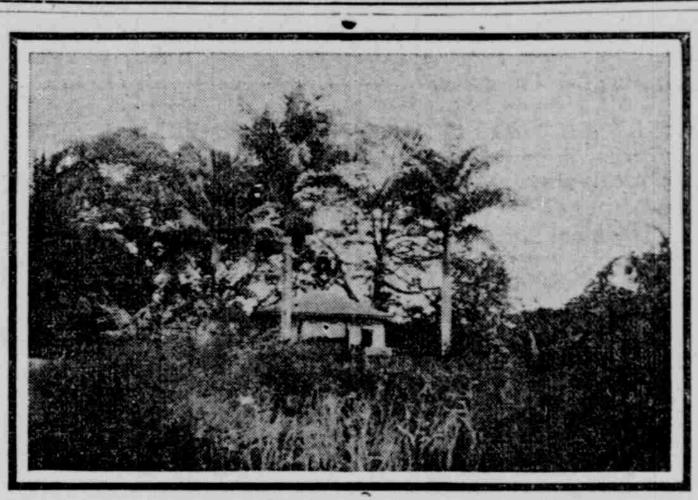
SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 10.-John | Special to the Indianapolis Journal Alexander Dowie (Elijah the Restorer) and from Southampton, was closely followed by his six deacons will leave here to-morrow for San Francisco on his trip to Australia. He attended the opening of a hotel at a tered his protest against the lavish silver service and the stuffed pig on the menu. thousand people in a local auditorium. He wanted to make himself clear on the race superior to the white, and the white man instantly Second Officer Keys, taking a should be just to the negro and endeavor turn about his body with a line, jumped to lift him up. Whatever the difference in race might be on earth, the white man and black man were brothers before God.

Dowle found fault with the Southern people in that they were too sleepy and slow. not up to date, and he ridiculed the slow time made by the rallroad whose guest he has been during the past several days. His only reference to the prospective establishment of a Zion city and plantation on the Texas coast was contained in the statement that he might at some near date become a neighbor of the people of San An-

BULGARIAN INVASION.

Strong Force Said to Have Made

Incursion to Macedonia. SALONICA, Jan. 10 .- A force of troops has been sent to Kumaniva, sixteen miles he came here to complete arrangements for | northeast of Uskub, where a strong Bul- | to push me to the front for this high office | garian band has invaded Turkish territory. Fighting is reported to have occurred at Ohio, in 1844 and came to Indiana in 1851. penheim and Countess Pauline Pappenheim. | the Bulgarians losing one hundred killed. | father's farm.



During the dry season the wealthier families leave the city of Panama and go to their summer homes in the Savanna-a beautiful plain about three miles east of Panama. The photograph shows the summer home of Dr. Manuel Amador.

JEAN GEROME, FAMOUS FRENCH ARTIST, DEAD

less in Bed by His Valet, Who Tried to Awaken Him.

NOTED FIGURE IN PARIS MACHINE

PARIS, Jan. 10 .- Jean Leon Gerome, the

tions referred to the postoffice committee, ably in the Province of Chiriqui, as well as dinner of the members of the institute. He and there is no doubt that they will be so Porto Bello and Nombre de Dios, to the conversed gaily, but his friends noticed that eastward of Colon, on the Caribbean coast, his features were drawn and advised him the old Spanish gentility. Of these it is his valet entered his bedroom and finding hardly worth while to speak, for they are him apparently asleep, withdrew. The valet row, stunted lives, that they wield prac- M. Gerome's position was unchanged he shook him gently. As there was no sign of summoned a doctor, who declared that

M. Gerome was a conspicuous figure in Paris society. He was tall and slim, and retained his youthful gayety and activity, his snowy hair and mustache alone indicating his great age. He was noted for his sparkling wit, and always kept up relations with the younger painters. The day before his death several friends | HOTEL SWINDLER REID lunched with M. Gerome at his home, and after the luncheon he took them to his studio to show them the statue of Corinth of which he was the sculptor. The statue had just been finished and he was about to color it. M. Gerome talked with his visitors enthusiastically concerning his work. Among M. Gerome's latest productions were allegorical figures representing labor, which he executed for Charles M. Schwab.

SHIP C. S. BEMENT IS BURNED IN MIDOCEAN

Captain Grant and Crew Arrive in Port and Tell of Their Thrilling Experience.

LONDON, Jan. 10 .- Advices to Lloyd's from Port Stanley, Falkland islands, state that the captain and crew of the American ship Clarence S. Bement, which sailed from Philadelphia on Aug. 16 and Newport News Sept. 22 last, bound to San Francisco, have burned at sea. There were no fatalities.

The Clarence S. Bement was a threebuilt at Philadelphia in 1884, and carried a crew of about twenty-five men. The vessel hailed from San Francisco, and was commanded by Capt. Grant. G. W. Hume, of San Francisco, was the owner.

VATICAN IS DISPLEASED.

Does Not Like Action of Spaniards Regarding New Prelate.

ROME, Jan. 10.-Vatican authorities are demonstration against Monsignor Nozaleda. former Archbishop of Valencia. It is said at the Vatican that the appointment was intended to gratify the Spanish people, as Archbishop Nozaleda was one of Spain's tion which he held in the Philippines. The Vatican no ment has caused general dissatisfaction and while some persons regard it as displeasing to Americans, it has undoubtedly failed to please the Spaniards.

CANDIDATE FOR CHIEF MAGISTRACY OF NATION

Point, Thinks He Would Like the Democratic Nomination.

CROWN POINT, Ind., Jan. 10.-Former when interviewed to-day regarding the ing of the British cruiser Flora on Dec. 3. neighboring resort this morning and en- he aspired to the nomination for President | proceeding here. on the Democratic ticket this year says there is truth in the statement and that he question. He said the Anglo-Saxon race is party. Mr. Wood was a member of the Point, near the scene of the mishap. superior to the negro race, but that there Forty-eighth Congress, winning over the was a time when the black brother was Republicans with a majority of 5,000 to overcome. He studied law with Senator days and afterwards graduated from Ann Arbor. During his congressional term, he made a great many friends among the Southern Democrats and it is these people who are determined to push Wood's candidacy to the front, and they claim for him a solid South

> "Why can't I be nominated and elected to the presidency as well as Abe Lincoln," says Mr. Wood. "Lincoln was a poor man, as is the case with me. He got his start as I did, splitting rails, and later studied law. He was a common, every day lawyer when nominated, but startled the world by his great administration and good judgment Look at Bryan, for instance. He was practically unknown until he made the famous 'crown of thorns and cross of gold' speech in Chicago. I can see a good chance for

> The question of a platform was put to Mr. Wood. good, sound principles of sound Democracy. No new fads would be sprung on the people. In fact, I would give the people a busand later I may say more." Mr. Wood was born in Athens county,

TRAIN RUNS DOWN AUTO: DRIVER ONLY SCRATCHED

Painter and Sculptor Found Life- | Dr. H. R. Allen Has Narrow Escape from Death at Meridian-Street Crossing of Union Track

DEMOLISHED

Dr. R. H. Allen, of 132 North Delaware street, narrowly escaped being killed by a ivostock. Big Four train as he was crossing the ceived a few slight bruises.

He was running his auto across the tracks and did not see an approaching pasife the valet informed Madame Gerome and | track, breaking off both the front wheels Allen was thrown to the ground and, aside The machine was taken to Carl Fisher's automobile barn, where it was laid up for repairs. Last night Dr. Allen refused to discuss the accident.

BROKE OUT OF PRISON

Had Sentences Over His Head Aggregating Ten Years—Sawed Three Chains.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Jan. 10.-William J. Reid, allas L. O. Hoffman, who is charged with swindling thirty-two hotels of about \$10,000 from the Atlantic to the Pacific, in 1902, and is now under sentences aggregating ten years for these offenses, broke jail here to-day under remarkable circumstances and is still at large. To accomplish his escape he unlocked nine doors and sawed through three chains, visited six different rooms of the county jail, passed in front of several guards and finally climbed an eighteen-foot wall. All this was done about 3 until 7 o'clock. He was supposedly too weak to move without the use of the crutch, had arrived there and report their vessel was been practically bedridden for three months and so far as the prison officers know had eaten nothing but beef broth in all that

> Sheriff Clark to-night made a thorough investigation, but he finds that many details of the escape are still unexplained Reid- was arrested in San Francisco under sensational circumstances in June, 1902, and after a legal battle, was brought to Springfield. He was sentenced to four years and six months in the county jail for swindling hotels here and immediately sentenced in Boston to five years in State prison for swindling Boston hotels.

GREENLAND NOT FOR SALE

greatly displeased because of the Spanish | Canada Would Like to Get Hold of the Island.

TORONTO, Jan. 10 .- According to the youngsters are taught that a white man will own prelates who was struck most severely Greenland from Denmark. It is added that by the Spanish-American war and who the admission of Newfoundland into the through that war lost the prominent posi- Canadian confederation has been prac- ers concerned, and it will be certain to give tically decided upon.

these schemes have reached a practical stage. The fact that the Globe is the mouthpiece of the government leads to the opinion that the federal authorities are considering the propriety of making overtures to Newfoundland and Denmark, although the question has not yet been seriously discussed. It is urged, however, that | occurred, as Japan was still considering her the purchase of Greenland would prevent | reply any repetition of the Alaskan award fiasco. COPENHAGEN, Jan. 10 .- Six years ago negotiations were opened by the Canadian government with Denmark for the puras Denmark was unwilling to sell. The government of to-day is of the same mind.

SEAGULL CAUSED WRECK.

HIS ATTITUDE. How the Cruiser Flora Was Run On the Rocks.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 10,-It is sought Congressman Thos. J. Wood, of this city, to make a seagull responsible for the strandannouncement in the newspapers that in connection with which a court-martial is

Captain Baker and Lieutenant Grant are accused of stranding the Flora. Evidence This afternoon he addressed about three looks at the matter in a serious way, and for the prosecution has been heard, and further said that he thought he could fill both the prisoners have made a statement the bill to the great satisfaction of his in defense. They affirm that by reckoning they believed the cruiser was past Village The lookout was watching for a black beacon with a white disc on the opposite side of the channel. Captain Baker first saw an object which he believed to be this, Voorhees in Terre Haute in his younger but it turned out to be the Village Point buoy, which was distorted in the fog, and on which a seaguil was sitting, giving the apearance of a white disc The accused denied neglect, but admitted that default must be shown as the result of the error made regarding the beacon which caused the stranding of the warship.

SHOCKLEY CONFESSED.

Said He Killed Gleason and Brighton Because They Resisted. SALT LAKE, Utah., Jan. 10 .- John M. Shockley to-day made a full confession of the murder of Motorman Gleason and Conductor Brighton, who were shot and killed by a lone highwayman who attempted to "My platform would be embodied with rob them in their car late Wednesday CHINESE EXCITED OVER night. In his confession, Shockley declared he had not intended killing his victims, but inesslike administration such as the dyed- they put up such a vigorous fight when he in-the-wool stripe of Democrats can give. attempted to rob them that he was forced I was only notified a day or two ago by to shoot ther in self-defense. After the my Southern friends that they were going | tragedy, he says, he contemplated suicide but his nerve failed him when he put his pistol to his head. Shockley says he is heir to considerable property and he wants to sign this over, board the New York were Countess Pap- Kochana, fifty miles southeast of Uskub, He received his start splitting rails on his without reserve, to aid the families of his scenes of pillage and murder which made

CHINA IS FORCED TO NEUTRALITY BY THE THREATS OF RUSSIA

The Government Notified That Peking Will Be Seized If China Joins Japan.

ATTITUDE OF DREIBUND

Germany to Declare Itself First, Before War Begins, and Her Allies to Follow.

WILL MAKE FOR PEACE

And Tend to Insure That War, If It Comes, Will Be Confined to Russia and Japan.

LONDON, Jan. 11 .- Hhe Tien-Tsin correspondent of the Daily Mail says that the Russian government has sent to the Chinese government a threat that Russia would immediately occupy Peking should China join forces with Japan. As a result the grand council has advised the throne to adopt a policy of neutrality.

The reassuring news that the Russian warships which recently left Vladivostock have returned there is confirmed in a Vladivostock dispatch received at St. Petersburg. The dispatch asserts, however, that only the armored cruiser Gromovoi went to sea for a couple of days' practice, the other ships of the fleet having remained at Vlad-

Special dispatches from Tokio printed in this morning's newspapers are very warlike, but add little or nothing to the knowlthat Japan has no idea of sending an ulti-

Anxiety apparently is felt in Tokio for the safety of the cruisers Niasin and Kasaga, which left Genoa Saturday and in connection with the departure of which the Genoa correspondent to the Daily Mail this morning gives a curious story to the effect that tion hold of the Niasin, placed in such a position that it short circuited the electrical apparatus with, it is suggested, the object of destroying the vessel, although there is no evidence to show that its being there was not accidental. No serious damage was

Seoul dispatches report the arrival of additional Russian and Italian marines there. The Daily Mail's Tokio correspondent asserts that the negotiations between Russia and Japan have passed beyond diplomacy and states that several Korean officials have apepaled to the American legation at Seoul for protection, but that Minister Allen upbraided them for thinking of their per-

sonal safety at such a juncture. A severe gale in the Mediterranean is greatly, inconveniencing the Russian warships. The cruisers Nicholas I and Nicholas II entered Ferrol for safety, and two Russian battleships and seven torpedo boat destroyers have been detained at Suda bay since Friday, unable to proceed to the far

East on account of the weather. Lord Ronaldshay, who returned to England recently from Manchuria and Japan, confirms reports that Russian troops are posted every five versts along the line of the Manchurian railway. The Russians, however, recognize that the chief danger is in a breakdown of the railway under the pressure of the enormous military traffic, owing to its slight construction. The Tokio correspondent of the Times

cabling under yesterday's date, says that pour parleurs still continue, but that public opinion despairs of any satisfactory issue of the difficulties between Japan and Rus-

The Peking correspondents of the Times describe an imposing memorial service which was held yesterday in the great Lama Temple in Peking in honor of the recently deceased Prince Konoye, ex-President of the Japanese Senate and leader of th movement in favor of a reapproachment between China and Japan. This is the first ceremony of the kind ever held in Peking, and it was attended by the highest Chinese officials and by the entire Japanese colony. It is considered as a striking manifestation the close understanding between the

German Neutrality Assured.

LONDON, Jan. 10 .- It is learned on the highest authority that it has been decided, in the event of war between Russia and Japan, that Germany will maintain a strict neutrality, and that other members of the Dreibund will observe a similar attitude.

The importance of this decision, which the Associated Press understands will almost manner in Berlin, cannot be easily overestihostilities shall be confined to the two powa stimulus to the efforts which France and Great Britain are making, in St. Petersburg and Tokio, respectively, in favor of peace. At the Japanese legation to-night it was

said that the far Eastern situation remained unchanged. No news had been received by the legation, and it was believed that some days might clapse before any developments No news has been received at the legation concerning the reported dispatch of troops

RUSSIAN PAPER URGES A EUROPEAN ALLIANCE

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 10 .- The Novikrai urges the necessity of opposing a pan-European alliance to a pan-Asiatic alliance of the yellow race against the white race, which is at the point of ripening under & Japanese hegemony.

A telegram from Port Arthur says that in view of the probability that Russia will not consent to the opening of certain ports in Manchuria, in the interest of the United States and Japan, the Chinese Foreign Office is placed in a difficult position. The most reliable news received here is that most of the Russian troops in the far

East are collected at Vladivostock or on the northern frontier of Korea. A traveler who has lately returned from the far East estimates that between 100,000 and 200,000 soldiers were in the vicinity of Vladivostock. He surmised that the Russians will occupy northern Korea, but that the possible collision was not imminent for a month or more, when taking into consideration distances and the difficulties of

Commenting on the possibility of Japanese vessels employing the British flag, the Novoe Vremya contends that the custom of civilized states requires that warships shall sail under their own national flags, and

"One can run away, but not fight, under a foreign flag. According to international law, the British flag has not the privilege of protecting all those cowards who might Alluding to the interest of the United States in the situation, the Novoe Vremya "Undoubtedly the United States, above all other powers, can confidently ex-

pect that its trade will not suffer by Rus-

sian possession of Manchuria, and it would

be tactless on America's part to demand

now what she could gain peacefully when

everything quiets down. THE OUTLOOK FOR WAR

PEKING, Jan. 10 .- Predictions in the native press that a war is inevitable and immediate and that China will certainly be involved are causing great uneasiness. Many Chinese fear a repetition of the

the year 1900 memorable. Numbers of the